

AWC Board of Directors candidate statement

Name

City elected position

Ben Wick

Councilmember

City/Town

Check the Board position for which you are running

City of Spokane Valley

At-Large 3 (Eastern, cities with population 5,000 or more in multi-city districts)

Biographical information and candidate statement:

Please limit your statement to 1,700 characters, which is approximately 250 words. Hand-written statements are not accepted.

Three term Spokane Valley City Council member, who served as Mayor during the pandemic (2021 and 2022). I have served on the Regional Health District Board, the Regional Transportation Council, our Destination Marketing Agency Board, and am currently serving as one of the Cities Representatives on the Washington State Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board since 2018, as well as was appointed to the Association of Washington Cities Board in 2022.

I am an Eastern Washington University graduate with a Bachelor's of Science in Computer Science and was an IT professional for 20 years in manufacturing and aerospace before becoming an entrepreneur owning and operating two community newsmagazines.

I have a strong passion for transportation and infrastructure. I want to help all of our cities, regions, and state achieve the infrastructure needed to thrive and provide opportunities for future generations. Transportation and infrastructure are fundamental issues for all of us and we all have a slightly different approach to how we accomplish it. I appreciate AWC as I firmly believe when we learn from each other we find better solutions.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in AWC, I would appreciate your vote, and look forward to exploring your city and learning your story so we can find ways to make the best cities and state!